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49/108. Industrial development cooperation

The General Assembly,

Recalling the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, 1/ the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, 2/ and the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, 3/

Recalling also its resolutions 45/196 of 21 December 1990, 46/146 of 17 December 1991 and 47/153 of 18 December 1992 on industrial development cooperation and the diversification and modernization of productive activities in developing countries, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/44 of 31 July 1992 on the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa,

Recalling further the resolutions adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization at its fifth session, 4/ in particular resolutions GC.5/Res.20, by which it adopted the

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1/ Resolution S-18/3, annex.

2/ Resolution 45/199, annex.

3/ Resolution 46/151, annex, sect. II.

4/ See United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Decisions and Resolutions of the General Conference, Fifth Regular Session, Yaoundé, 6-10 December 1993 (GC.5/INF.4).

Yaoundé Declaration, 5/ and GC.5/Res.12 on the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa,

Taking note of the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on industrial development cooperation 6/ and the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (1993-2002), 7/

1. Stresses the importance of industrialization as a dynamic instrument of growth that is essential to the rapid economic and social development of developing countries;

2. Emphasizes the importance of industrial development cooperation and a positive investment and business climate, at the international, regional, subregional and national levels, in promoting the expansion, diversification and modernization of productive capacities in developing countries;

3. Reaffirms the essential role of industrialization and entrepreneurship as a means of achieving socially beneficial economic development by eradicating poverty, creating productive employment and facilitating social integration, including the integration of women into the development process;

4. Also reaffirms the central coordinating role played by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in the United Nations system in the field of the industrial development of developing countries;

5. Recalls the process of restructuring that is currently under way in the United Nations system, and welcomes in that context the recent reform and restructuring of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, which should enable it, in promoting industrial development, to respond effectively to the needs of the developing countries, in particular the least developed among them and those in Africa, by providing high-quality services that are focused on clearly defined objectives;

6. Invites the organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, to contribute, in the context of their programmes and activities, to achieving the aims and action programmes adopted by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development 8/ and by the International Conference on

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5/ Also reproduced in A/49/347, appendix.

6/ A/49/347, annex.

7/ A/49/372.

8/ See Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992 (A/CONF.151/26/Rev.1 (Vol. I, Vol. I/Corr.1, Vol. II, Vol. III and Vol. III/Corr.1)) (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigenda), vol. I: Resolutions Adopted by the Conference.

Population and Development, 9/ and calls upon them to contribute to the preparations for the World Summit for Social Development, the Fourth World Conference on Women and the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II);

7. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its fifty-first session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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9/ See A/CONF.171/13.